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Both U.S. patent to Genzel and U.S. patent to Lecce secure a writing instrument on a bracelet. However, the writing instrument is still vulnerable to loss when not secured to the bracelet.

U.S. patent to Sawyer is obtrusive and not practical for many environments. Sawyer's invention can be attached to clothing but is not used as clothing. The tether is too long, and the housing is too bulky to be utilized comfortably for many different tasks.

Very respectfully,

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